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Customers Begin Getting an I.B.M. Compact

The first commercial models for the International Business Machines Corporation's System 360-Model 20 computer have begun to arrive at customers' facilities.

The Model 20 is the smallest and lowest-priced computer in the I.B.M. 360 line. The model 20's are being manufactured at the company's San Jose, Calif., plant. More than 1,000 units are expected to be turned out this year.

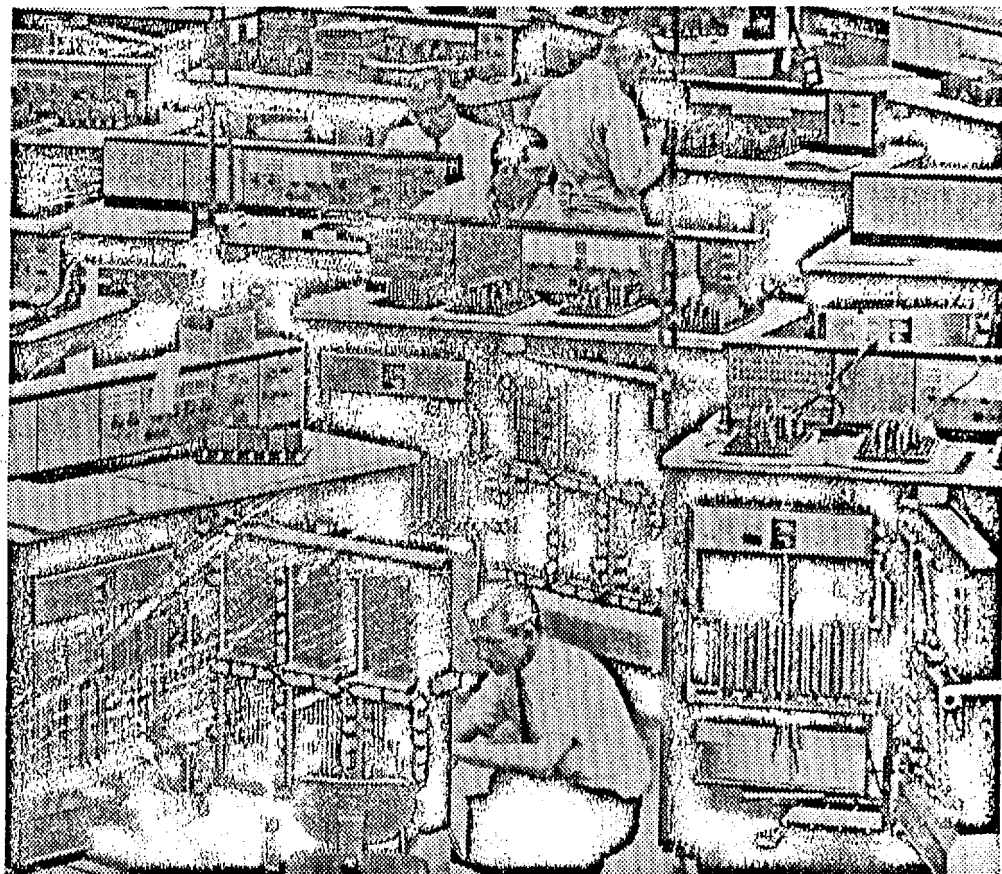
The Model 20 combines the power and versatility of a stored program computer with punched card-handling capabilities. While primarily a punched-card system, the Model 20's computing power and logic potential provide a high degree of system flexibility.

The Model 20 is geared to the needs of small and medium-sized businesses, although it can be used as a component of larger systems.

Many of the companies presently receiving the Model 20's will be using computers for the first time in their histories.

The Model 20 can use magnetic tapes as well as punched cards. When equipped with an I.B.M. 2560 multifunction card machine, the Model 20 is said to be able to do more than conventional punched-card systems in the same general price range.

The multifunction card machine performs card opera-



I.B.M. Model 20 computers, the smallest computers in the company's System/360, are checked at San Jose, Calif., plant before being shipped to companies that will use them.

tions that formerly required four separate machines. It punches, interprets, merges and reproduces data-process-

ing cards in a single process and can also be used for sorting of data.

I.B.M. has scheduled Mod-

el 20 production to surpass all previous monthly production records for any computer by 1967.